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be taken to repair the drip pad and clean up any leakage, and the schedule for accomplishing this work.

- (2) The Regional Administrator will review the information submitted, make a determination regarding whether the pad must be removed from service completely or partially until repairs and cleanup are complete and notify the owner or operator of the determination and the underlying rationale in writing.
- (3) Upon completing all repairs and cleanup, the owner or operator must notify the Regional Administrator in writing and provide a certification signed by an independent, qualified registered professional engineer, that the repairs and cleanup have been completed according to the written plan submitted in accordance with paragraph (m)(1)(iv) of this section.
- (n) Should a permit be necessary, the Regional Administrator will specify in the permit all design and operating practices that are necessary to ensure that the requirements of this section are satisfied.
- (0) The owner or operator must maintain, as part of the facility operating log, documentation of past operating and waste handling practices. This must include identification of preservative formulations used in the past, a description of drippage management practices, and a description of treated wood storage and handling practices.

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## $\S 264.574$ Inspections.

(a) During construction or installation, liners and cover systems (e.g., membranes, sheets, or coatings) must be inspected for uniformity, damage and imperfections (e.g., holes, cracks, thin spots, or foreign materials). Immediately after construction or installation, liners must be inspected and certified as meeting the requirements in § 264.573 of this subpart by a qualified Professional Engineer. This certification must be maintained at the facility as part of the facility operating record. After installation, liners and covers must be inspected to ensure

tight seams and joints and the absence of tears, punctures, or blisters.

- (b) While a drip pad is in operation, it must be inspected weekly and after storms to detect evidence of any of the following:
- (1) Deterioration, malfunctions or improper operation of run-on and runoff control systems:
- (2) The presence of leakage in and proper functioning of leak detection system.
- (3) Deterioration or cracking of the drip pad surface.

NOTE: See §264.573(m) for remedial action required if deterioration or leakage is detected.

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#### § 264.575 Closure.

- (a) At closure, the owner or operator must remove or decontaminate all waste residues, contaminated containment system components (pad, liners, etc.), contaminated subsoils, and structures and equipment contaminated with waste and leakage, and manage them as hazardous waste.
- (b) If, after removing or decontaminating all residues and making all reasonable efforts to effect removal or decontamination of contaminated components, subsoils, structures, and equipment as required in paragraph (a) of this section, the owner or operator finds that not all contaminated subsoils can be practicably removed or decontaminated, he must close the facility and perform post-closure care in accordance with closure and post-closure care requirements that apply to landfills (§264.310). For permitted units, the requirement to have a permit continues throughout the post-closure period. In addition, for the purpose of closure, post-closure, and financial responsibility, such a drip pad is then considered to be landfill, and the owner or operator must meet all of the requirements for landfills specified in subparts G and H of this part.
- (c)(1) The owner or operator of an existing drip pad, as defined in  $\S264.570$  of this subpart, that does not comply with the liner requirements of  $\S264.573(b)(1)$  must:
- (i) Include in the closure plan for the drip pad under §264.112 both a plan for

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complying with paragraph (a) of this section and a contingent plan for complying with paragraph (b) of this section in case not all contaminated subsoils can be practicably removed at closure; and

- (ii) Prepare a contingent post-closure plan under §264.118 of this part for complying with paragraph (b) of this section in case not all contaminated subsoils can be practicably removed at closure.
- (2) The cost estimates calculated under §§ 264.112 and 264.144 of this part for closure and post-closure care of a drip pad subject to this paragraph must include the cost of complying with the contingent closure plan and the contingent post-closure plan, but are not required to include the cost of expected closure under paragraph (a) of this section

### Subpart X—Miscellaneous Units

SOURCE: 52 FR 46964, Dec. 10, 1987, unless otherwise noted.

#### § 264.600 Applicability.

The requirements in this subpart apply to owners and operators of facilities that treat, store, or dispose of hazardous waste in miscellaneous units, except as § 264.1 provide otherwise.

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# § 264.601 Environmental performance standards.

A miscellaneous unit must be located, designed, constructed, operated, maintained, and closed in a manner that will ensure protection of human health and the environment. Permits for miscellaneous units are to contain such terms and provisions as necessary to protect human health and the environment, including, but not limited to, as appropriate, design and operating requirements, detection and monitoring requirements, and requirements for responses to releases of hazardous waste or hazardous constituents from the unit. Permit terms and provisions must include those requirements of subparts I through O and subparts AA through CC of this part, part 270, part 63 subpart EEE, and part 146 of this

chapter that are appropriate for the miscellaneous unit being permitted. Protection of human health and the environment includes, but is not limited to:

- (a) Prevention of any releases that may have adverse effects on human health or the environment due to migration of waste constituents in the ground water or subsurface environment, considering:
- (1) The volume and physical and chemical characteristics of the waste in the unit, including its potential for migration through soil, liners, or other containing structures:
- (2) The hydrologic and geologic characteristics of the unit and the surrounding area;
- (3) The existing quality of ground water, including other sources of contamination and their cumulative impact on the ground water;
- (4) The quantity and direction of ground-water flow;
- (5) The proximity to and withdrawal rates of current and potential groundwater users;
- (6) The patterns of land use in the region;
- (7) The potential for deposition or migration of waste constituents into subsurface physical structures, and into the root zone of food-chain crops and other vegetation;
- (8) The potential for health risks caused by human exposure to waste constituents: and
- (9) The potential for damage to domestic animals, wildlife, crops, vegetation, and physical structures caused by exposure to waste constituents:
- (b) Prevention of any releases that may have adverse effects on human health or the environment due to migration of waste constituents in surface water, or wetlands or on the soil surface considering:
- (1) The volume and physical and chemical characteristics of the waste in the unit:
- (2) The effectiveness and reliability of containing, confining, and collecting systems and structures in preventing migration:
- (3) The hydrologic characteristics of the unit and the surrounding area, including the topography of the land around the unit;